

FCC Representative:

I am responding to show my lack of support of HR 4026, Local Emergency Radio Service Preservation Act, that is an attempt by the radio industry to stifle the sale and usage of local traffic and weather information from suppliers such as Traffic Pulse and The Weather Channel to satellite radio broadcasters XM and Sirius. No correlation exists between information associated with automobile traffic and the radio industry and this is a blatant attempt by the NAB to weaken satellite radio while still in its infancy and possibly take down Mobility Technologies with it. The NAB does not own the rights to traffic information nor did they make any of the capital expenditures to develop the technology necessary for it to exist today. Therefore there is no legal basis supporting this attempt to restrict not only the sale but also the transmission of traffic information if only for a few individuals in the House that are under pressure to ?make it so?. Unfortunately for me I will not have an opportunity to vote them out of office for succumbing to this political pressure.

Not only is this a violation of the first amendment, denying satellite radio broadcasters the ability to purchase this information and resell it is likely in violation of U.S. anti-trust laws and a case such as this would likely land up being decided in the Supreme Court. Even if a conventional radio giant such as Clear Channel were to purchase Mobility Technologies, they still may be forced by anti-trust laws to make the information available to XM & Sirius.

Do not let HR4026 stand!

Sincerely,

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